

# NEW JERSEY COAST ATTRACTIVE IN WINTER DAYS

## Good Cheer to Be Found in Atlantic City at Christmas

Resort's Winter Season Opens Earlier Than Is Normal  
—Improvements Planned in Hotels and Amusements.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 16.—The auspicious approach of a prosperous winter season here. Latter day conditions have served to make the resort's winter season begin earlier than in the years immediately preceding the world war. Christmas Day and the advent of the New Year now open the official winter. That is largely due to the housing shortage, the coal problem and the servant question in cities within a day's journey.

Many thousands of families have been seeking harbor in hotels until these problems are solved.

There is an abundance of good cheer at Christmas in Atlantic City. At hotels like the Dennis, the Marlborough-Blenheim, the Seaside, the Brighton and the Strand, that specially cater to family parties, there are many domestic regimens. Sons and daughters from colleges and academies, future generals and admirals from West Point and Annapolis, or from Army and Navy stations, flock here to join their kin for the holidays.

New Year's Day has come to mean "New York Day" in Atlantic City. Philadelphia is but sixty miles removed and fast trains reach this city from there in a little more than an hour. Yet the Quaker City is relegated to a subordinate place in Atlantic City on New Year's Day.

Many families who come here during the Yuletide period remain for the entire winter. As the winter advances the arrivals appear from many States, particularly from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Illinois, Missouri and Massachusetts. Thousands come from the District of Columbia and from the Canadian provinces.

The patronage in January is fairly large and gradually increases, growing throughout February until Lincoln's Birthday and Washington's Birthday. Then the winter season is at its height and midsummer conditions reign at nearly all the large houses until a week or so after Easter.

Mr. Joseph Walton Mott, manager of the Traymore; Mr. Walter Busby, proprietor of the Dennis; Mr. Gustave Tott, manager of the Ritz-Carlton; Mr. Jacob Weikel, proprietor of the Shelburne, and others have complained that there is not enough to entertain the winter sojourner. They point to the closing of nearly all the piers, the inadequate provisions that the Boardwalk holds forth and the general lack of special attractions such as concerts and spectacles.

The problem was considered on Wednesday evening at a conference called by Mayor Eader. It is believed that some remedy will be agreed upon and that the leading hotel men will contribute to a civic fund to provide the resort with a season of high class attractions.

The Linwood Country Club intends to establish Atlantic City as a year round rendezvous of golfers. Officials of the club are confident that matches can be played throughout the winter even though a little courage may be required of the pioneers at it. Besides the tournament that will be conducted on December 24 the club will have another series of matches on Washington's Birthday.

The municipal authorities are also striving to make the resort a twelve month objective for tennis lovers. The asphalt pavements of the courts the city has built in the inlet section will soon be laid. To carry off snow and rain a special drainage system will be installed.

Basketball games will be played on one of the piers during the winter. The Celtics of New York, world's champions, have been appearing here weekly.

Three hotels on South Kentucky avenue are undergoing alterations. The New Clarion extension will provide additional rooms and baths. The lower portion of the Monticello is being rebuilt. The plans include building three attractive shops. The Wynnewood is being extended, and besides additional rooms there will be a large porch.

There was universal satisfaction early in the week when it was learned that Col. Quincy A. Gillmore of this city has been nominated for the office of Brigadier-General of the State militia. Col. Gillmore is a grandson of the late Major-General Quincy A. Gillmore, who during the civil war was commander of the Union forces at the siege of Charleston, S. C., and of the Tenth Army Corps under Gen. Grant at the siege of Petersburg. His father, a West Point graduate, Gen. Quincy O'M. Gillmore, was an instructor of tactics at the Military Academy in West Point and commanded the Fourth New Jersey Volunteer Infantry in the Spanish-American war, later the Second New Jersey Infantry, National Guard, and also the old Second Infantry Brigade, National Guard.

Col. Gillmore was appointed to the academy from New Jersey in 1900 and was graduated in 1904. He was assigned to the artillery, and after several years service in the regular army returned to enter business. When the United States entered the world war Col. Gillmore was made Colonel of the First New Jersey Field Artillery, later the 12th Heavy Field Artillery of the Twenty-ninth Division.

The convention of the Real Estate League of New Jersey, which closed at the Ambassador to-day, is not the last that will be here during the winter season. There will be various meetings from time to time under the auspices of national bodies in diverse fields of endeavor.

The Order of the Eastern Star, Grand Chapter of New Jersey, and the National Canners Association are among the conventions for next month. These meetings will bring several thousand delegates here. There also will be many conferences and executive sessions, including that of the executive committee of the Presbyterian General Assembly.

There will be conferences during the winter at the Traymore, the Marlborough-Blenheim, the Dennis, the Shelburne, the Ambassador, the Ritz-Carlton, the Seaside House, the Breakers, the Alamac and the Strand and the Continental.

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The Laurel-in-the-Pines, recently purchased by Frank Selden of Highmount, N. Y., and Lakewood, is entertaining among others Mrs. Norman K. Winston, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Telegman and Dr. Mrs. A. B. Well, Mrs. L. Volter of Brooklyn; M. Halpert, Maurice Abraham, Mrs. W. Loewy, Miss Beatrice Spiro, E. Spieker, Stuart Davis, Miss Estelle Raines, Miss Angela Costello, Peter Kahn, Daniel Markowitz, Samuel R. Pollok, Max Lederer, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kavanaugh, R. J. Clancy, Benedict Fitzpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hammer, Miss Sophie Ziville, Herman I. Zagar, H. B. Rubin, W. A. Rubin, and J. C. Herman of New York.

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Arrivals at Hotel Grossman are Mr. and Mrs. William Lamkey, Mrs. A. A. Dreyspool, Mr. and Mrs. M. Marks and Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Seldman of New York.

The Monmouth-in-the-Pines is entertaining Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Burke of Somerville, Charles Ertin of Newark, Miss R. E. Klein, Mr. and Mrs. R. Warburg and Mr. and Mrs. M. Marx of New York.

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